

RACKET COLUMN.

Old
Santa
Claus
Is
Coming!

To the Potosi
Racket Store,
and he wants
this space in
the "Journal"
next week,
please.

Therefore, we will
simply remind you
of the fact that we
are Santa Claus'
Headquarters, and
ask all to watch this
space.

In the meantime
we would remind you
of the fact that we
have a few more of
those fine COMFORTS
that will give you
these cold nights.
They go at only 80c the comfort.

Come and get a pair of
those warm Gloves or
Mittens. In Caps we
have a variety from 15c
up, in cloth, melton,
plush, etc.; and a corduroy for 23c.

Cotton Flannel, 20 yards for \$1.00.
Potatoes 15c a peck.
Cornmeal 10c a peck.
Table Oil 15c a yard.

GAY, The Racketeer.
309 Broadway Headquarters.

Official Directory of Washington County.

Circuit Judge, J. F. Green, De Soto.
State Senator, W. R. Goodknight, Caledonia.
Representative, J. L. Eaton, Irondale.
Presiding Judge county court, Geo. E. Breckinridge, Belgrade.
Judge county court, 1st district, Joseph C. Coleman, Old Mines.
Judge county court, 2nd district, L. V. Farmer, Sunlight.
Clerk circuit court, Wm. M. Bennett.
Clerk county court, W. T. Hunter.
Judge probate court, Chas. H. Richeson.
Collector, Thos. S. White, Potosi.
Sheriff, Jas. R. Whitehead.
Treasurer, M. A. Casey.
Prosecuting Attorney, E. M. Deering.
Coroner, A. O. Glore.
County Assessor, Norman F. Robinson, Courts.
County School Commissioner, F. P. Blount, Potosi.
Surveyor, H. Hawkins, Summit.
Justice of the Peace, A. O. Glore, Potosi.
O. F. Beal, Mineral Point.

TIME FOR HOLDING COURTS.
Circuit court—1st Monday in March and 4th Monday in August.
County court—1st Monday in February, May, August and November.
Probate court—2nd Monday in February, May, August and November.
Due notice of special terms will be given whenever announced.

St. L. I. M. & S. Time Card.
Trains stop at Mineral Point, as follows:

GOING SOUTH.
No. 57, Cotton Belt Express, 10:41 a.m.
" 51, Ft. Worth Express, 12:13 p.m.
" 61, Bismarck Acc., 8:03 p.m.
GOING NORTH.
No. 62, Bismarck Acc., 5:50 a.m.
No. 52, St. Louis Mail, 3:00 p.m.

Potosi Branch.

GOING SOUTH.

STATIONS.	23	25	27	29
Mineral Point	6:00	10:55	4:30	8:10
Potosi	6:20	11:15	4:50	8:30
AR.	AM	PM	PM	AM

GOING NORTH.

STATIONS.	21	23	25	27
Potosi	5:20	10:15	2:25	7:20
Mineral Point	5:40	10:35	2:45	7:40
AR.	AM	AM	PM	PM

Trains do not run on Sunday.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Note the changes in our ads.

Let us have that county good road convention.

B. F. Newcomb, of Belgrade, was in town Monday.

Judge Richeson made a trip to the city Saturday.

Judge W. C. Ion, of Levy, was in town Tuesday.

Christmas only three weeks from next Saturday.

Mr. F. X. Teasdale made a trip to St. Louis Tuesday.

Mr. Joe Sloan, of Caledonia, was on our streets Tuesday.

T. H. Holman, of Caledonia, was on our streets last Friday.

The first snow is late in making its appearance this season.

The late rains have quenched the forest fires for the present.

Mrs. E. F. Davidson spent the latter part of last week at De Soto.

Dr. J. H. Hall spent a day or two in the city the first of the week.

The new mill building will in all probability be built of brick.

Chas. W. Loomis has begun the construction of his new dwelling.

F. E. Cole, of Belgrade, is busy hauling hay to town this week.

Judge Thomas Higginbotham, of Blackwell, was in Potosi Tuesday.

Dr. L. T. Hall has enclosed his residence lot with a neat paling fence.

Mr. Thomas Yarbrough, of Johnson Township, was in town last Friday.

Business has continued pretty brisk among our stores during the past week.

Rev. C. F. Linza, of Irondale, made the "Journal" office a pleasant call last Saturday.

Misses Maggie and Bee Whelan and Miss Mattie Flynn visited St. Louis last Saturday.

Frank Dinning came down from De Soto Thursday and spent a few days with home folks.

Mr. J. E. Baugher and mother, of Undine, were in town Monday on their way to St. Louis.

H. F. Compton, who is wielding the rod in one of the Richwoods schools, was in town last Friday.

Chas. B. Johnson and F. M. Wiley, of Belgrade, were in Potosi Saturday and called upon the editor.

Mr. John Gavronski, one of Belgrade's merchants, was in town Tuesday on his way to St. Louis.

Mr. Perry Patterson added a load of wood to our fuel supply Monday, and will continue to read the "Journal."

Miss Gertrude Barron, one of Irondale's fairest daughters, is the guest of Miss Stella Byrd.—De Soto "Press."

Mrs. Wm. Murray, of St. Louis, passed through Potosi last Friday on her way to Richwoods, on a visit to relatives.

G. D. Day, S. E. Day and wife, and Misses Madge and Mabel Day, all of Cherryville, Mo., are registered at Hotel Austin.

Mr. F. A. Bone, one of Hopewell's leading citizens, was in town last Friday and called at this office to renew his subscription.

The newly sown wheat crop is reported as looking fine. The fears that early sown wheat had dried out have proven groundless.

Mrs. Russell J. Ellis, of Bonne Terre, died on November 24th. She was a daughter of J. H. Colfield, who formerly lived at Caledonia.

The weather took a sudden change for the colder Sunday night, and Monday morning found the mercury down to 14, the lowest of the season.

Come out to the Missionary Concert at the Presbyterian church to night. Will try and have the church comfortable.

A. J. CHEATHAM, Pastor.

P. S. Terry the pedagogue from the "Bogawitchee," near Aptus, was one of our callers last Saturday, and left a substantial reminder of his visit.

Mr. Jacob Boyer, of Cadet, one of the "Journal's" first subscribers, was in town Tuesday and made us a pleasant call. He says that he cannot do without the paper.

There are some men so conscientious that they will give even the devil his due, and then again there are others who will not give what is due the editor on subscription.

There is apparently no desire among our young people to get up a series of entertainments for the holidays, consequently the Christmas season in Potosi is likely to be a dull one.

The public records in the recorder's office are now stored in the new fire-proof vault and there need be no more apprehension that they might at some time be destroyed by fire.

Now is the time for our merchants to do their holiday advertising. Local ads, 5 cents per line; rates on display space given upon application. The "Journal" is the best advertising medium in the county.

The recent decline in lead has apparently touched bottom at \$3.55 per hundred. It has been hovering around this figure for the past week, with a tendency to go higher. We hope to see a brisk reaction set in soon.

A number of our subscribers have recently renewed their subscription to the "Journal," now recognized as the leading and influential paper of the county. This eminence has been gained in a comparatively short time strictly upon the merits of the paper.

Rev. A. J. Cheatham will preach at Irondale next Sabbath.

Terrell & Johnson, of Belgrade, shipped a car load of hogs Tuesday evening.

Fifteen of these hogs were bought from Judge Ion, of Walton Township, the average weight of which was 295 pounds making them the finest lot of porkers brought in this season.

The ball given at the Opera House last Thursday night was somewhat poorly attended, only about twelve couples being present. Those who were present, however, report having had a very pleasant time, and that the supper furnished for the occasion by Hotel Arlington, was excellent.

Mr. Jules F. Boyer, of Shibboleth, was in town Monday and called to renew his subscription to the "Journal."

Mr. Boyer states that the Shibboleth mines are doing a big business in both lead and tiff, the trade in the latter mineral being especially brisk. Tiff is bringing \$2.50 per ton at the mines.

Renault Lodge, No. 320, K. of P., at its annual election Tuesday night elected the following officers: E. M. Dearing, C. C.; Chas. H. Richeson, V. C.; Rev. A. J. Cheatham, P.; W. M. Bennett, W. M.; Hugh McGregor, M. E.; J. W. Settle, K. R. S.; John Macley, M. P.; W. B. Settle, M. A.; W. N. Wood, L. G.; W. M. Settle, O. G.; Board of Trustees—F. M. Degendorf, 3 years; A. J. Cheatham, 2 years, and Hugh McGregor, 1 year.

A young St. Louis gentleman named Platt, accompanied by Capt. D. N. Porter, Perry Bass and several other local sportsmen, went out into the western part of the county Monday morning on an extended hunting trip.

It is Mr. Platt's ambition to kill a deer—his first—and expense, apparently, cuts no ice with him. He came equipped with camping outfit, two colored servants, lots of provisions and liquid refreshments, and several guns.

A pack of dogs was secured here. The party intended to camp at Frey's old sawmill, in Johnson Township. We trust the young man will have his ambition gratified.

Another of Potosi's oldest landmarks has succumbed to the ruthless hand of modern progress. The old McCallion house which has stood on the bank of Breton Creek, on the south side of town since time out of memory of those who have grown old in Potosi, is being torn down to make room for the new mill building.

This house was doubtless built about the beginning of the present century, and although it was built of logs weather-boarded over, was an imposing and pretentious structure for that period.

The old house has had a decayed appearance for many years, but when the boarding was torn away the logs and timbers were found to be perfectly sound. The nails used in its construction were hand-made, and the larger timbers were fastened together with wooden pegs, after the methods of early days.

Val Ennis, who is tearing down the building will use the material in a dwelling which he will build near the depot.

MARRIED.

At Logansport, La., November 23, 1897, in the Presbyterian church at 8 p. m., Miss Maudie Martindale, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Martindale, to Mr. Albert Thompson, formerly of Hopewell, Mo., Rev. D. R. Carson officiating. After the ceremony a grand reception was held at the beautiful home Mr. Thompson recently purchased in Logansport for his bride. May their wedded life be a long and happy one.

A GUEST.

WARNING TO TAX-PAYERS.

Potosi, Mo., Dec. 1, 1897.

The attention of the tax-payers of Washington County is called to the fact that all who delay the payment of their taxes until after December 31st, 1897, will be required to pay a penalty.

All unpaid tax bills will be sent out for collection January 1st, 1898, according to the requirements of the law. The collector has no power to extend the time or remit penalties. Pay your taxes this month and save costs.

T. S. WHITE, Collector.

Bates Creek.

November 29, 1897.

Rev. Clark Martin filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Tom Johnson, who lives on the Shields farm on this creek, will soon move to the Coleman farm, on Furnace Creek.

G. W. Compton spent last Sunday at Waltonburg.

Mrs. Bess Pratt, of Bonne Terre, will hereafter make her home with the family of G. W. Compton, of this vicinity.

One of our neighbor boys, who raised a crop in the vicinity of Hopewell the past season, spends six days in the week on his farm and the seventh at his home here.

Some parties from Richwoods spent several days out here on a hunting trip the past week, and were chasing with their dogs on Sunday. Look out boys, we have a law against hunting on Sunday.

CONC.

Hickory Grove.

November 27, 1897.

Several of our young people attended the spelling-match at Irondale, on the 26th.

Charlie Bradley has purchased a piece of ground from Mr. Jeckles, on which he intends erecting a blacksmith shop in the near future.

Hickory Grove is on the boom. Look out for a town in this section.

R. Denby and daughter, Grace, of Farmington, were at G. A. Wood's Saturday and Sunday last, visiting Miss Nettie Denby.

Jack Wood has returned from Grandin, Mo.

Rob. Denton and Firmin Bushon went on a hunt Thanksgiving Day. How many turkeys did you bag, boys?

How are we going to celebrate Christmas?

There was no school Thursday, it being Thanksgiving Day.

The road south of the M. E. Church has been graded.

GOLD BRO.

Belgrade.

November 27, 1897.

B. F. Eaton, of De Soto, and Charles Loomis, of Potosi, paid our town a short visit last Monday.

Drs. Sloan and Sloan and Marbury are all in our town this week on professional business.

W. B. Ramsey, our sawmill man has presented Dr. J. A. Eaton, whose barn was recently destroyed by fire, with 1000 feet of lumber. This is not the first instance of Mr. Ramsey's generosity, he also gave the lumber to enclose the lot on which the Christian church is to be built.

Judge Goforth and wife left for St. Louis Monday, to spend Thanksgiving with their daughter, Mrs. Robert Wortham.

The scene of the late fire attracts the attention of all who come to town.

Uncle Ed Gilliam has returned home.

Dr. J. L. Eaton, of Irondale, visited his parents at this place last Thursday. The Dr. presented his father with a fine saddle while here.

Charlie McNew has returned from the wilds of Arkansas, to be a good boy and do no more.

J. T. Johnson is building a mile string of wire fence.

Charles Smith is figuring in the capacity of egg agent for Wm. Shirley.

Dr. Talley is having a bay window added to his dwelling.

Ed Drew has engaged the services of John Caffee to build an addition to his residence. As Ed is a bachelor it is generally supposed from this that he has grown tired of single blessedness.

Millard Fortune and George Mahan, of De Soto, have been spending a few days hunting in this neighborhood.

John Bennett's many friends will be glad to hear that he now holds a position as fireman on the Iron Mountain Railroad.

ZENO.

Fourche-a-Renault.

November 24, 1897.

Farmers are all about through gathering corn, and the yield is said to be much better than was expected.

The bass brothers will move into their new home next week.

Mr. Wm. R. Scott, of St. Joseph, Mo., who is superintending the operations at the Kaye mines, met with a severe accident one day last week. He was standing upon a platform in the shaft 120 feet below the surface watching the men at work. A tub of rock was sent up and passed through the trap-door at the mouth of the shaft safely and the door was closed, but in attempting to land the tub it was tilted a little and a piece of rock fell off, passing through the rope hole in the trap-door and striking Mr. Scott on the head. He was knocked down and nearly fell to the bottom of the shaft 50 feet lower. A gas about two inches long was cut in his head, making quite a severe injury, and a rubber hat he wore probably prevented a fractured skull. Mr. Scott is able to attend to his duties again.

Messrs. Harmon and Price, who live in the same house, gave their five-year-old sons a basket each to play with. The other day the lads told their mamma they were going out to chop cord wood, and a short time afterward they were both heard crying. Mrs. Harmon rushed out to find that young Price had accidentally cut one of her boy's fingers off. Dr. Bowser dressed the crippled hand.

William McGuire was cutting wood at the Kaye mines last Monday when the ax glanced and inflicted an ugly wound in his foot. He says this is the eighth time he has had such an accident, and just made an application of turpentine and kept on chopping.

Mr. Wm. Bays and family, of Texas, spent several days with relatives at this place the past week. They returned home Friday, accompanied by Mr. Bays' sister, Rosa.

Dr. Bowser and Andrew Oster went to St. Louis last week to a hospital, where a surgical operation was to be performed upon the latter.

POLLY SWAN.

Licksille.

November 26, 1897.

Science of architecture, best method of propagating, socialism, or anything on this line as a subject for local discussion occupies our most important time since we are all through putting corn for the crop is always light on this branch—as the name implies.

We are going to have a shower of protracted meetings here soon, if our informant is correct. Brother Lower Teller is going to conduct them.

There is a small acreage of wheat being sown here this season.

It seems that Mr. B. S. DeLoe is not quite so successful in his capturing that favorite opossum, or that nocturnal tropical favorite of his, as he calls it.

Jno. Trout seems to spend considerable of his time hunting on Indian Creek this fall, about the old Pearson sawmill seat. What is the luck John? Be careful you will not be allowed to ship any game.

The R. M. BUGG MERCANTILE CO.

PROPRIETORS OF THE

GREAT TRADING PALACE,

Challenge all Competition in Trade. So when you want Cheap Goods CALL AND GET THEIR PRICES.

Clothing. Our stock of Clothing is much the largest and best line of Tailor-Made Garments in the county. We also have suits as cheap as the cheapest, and we can make prices to suit you. Call and see our goods and get our prices.

Boots and Shoes. Our stock is, with-out fear of contradiction, the best and largest in the county. They have been well tested, and we are selling lots of them—Men's, Women's, Misses' and Youth's. Ladies' Low Cut Oxfords at greatly reduced prices.

Jeans Pants and Workingmen's Garments. Our stock of Jeans Pants and Overalls is large and complete. The "Jack Rabbit" Pants and "Peer" Overalls and Shirts are the best made. In Duck Coats, Jumpers of all kinds we have the most desirable line in town.

Dry-Goods. Our stock of Dry-Goods and Notions is the most sought after now, as these goods are selling below their real value. Now is the time to buy cheap, as the time is near when these goods and prices cannot be duplicated.

Gent's Furnishings. Our very low-priced stock of Gent's Furnishings is all in the store and ready for inspection. The best line in town. We have extra sizes in Men's Woolen Underwear. Prices a way down; must be seen to be appreciated.

House Furnishings. Our stock of Stoves and Furniture is complete. Furniture is of the latest styles, and we carry a full line. We are cheaper than the cheapest. Call and inspect.

Groceries.

We wish it distinctly understood that we allow no one to undersell us on Groceries. So don't be misled by a few low prices. We positively guarantee to give you as much value for your dollar as any other firm in Potosi or your money refunded. If you are looking for 18 lbs. Granulated Sugar for \$1, or 22 lbs. Brown Sugar for \$1, or 10 lbs. Green Coffee for \$1, or 8 lbs. bulk Roasted Coffee for \$1, or 6c Bacon, just come right along, we've got 'em, and we don't make any fuss about it, either.

WE ARE HEADQUARTERS FOR COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Yours for Trade, R. M. Bugg Mercantile Co.

Fall and Winter Millinery.

The season's stock of

Pattern Hats and Sailors

Elegant Trimming. now on Exhibition
Latest Styles. Baby Caps a Specialty.

PRICES REASONABLE.

Ladies can always find a complete line of Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats, and Bonnets, Ladies' Furnishing Goods, Underwear, Corsets, Laces and Embroideries, Ribbons, Velvets, Zephyr, Embroidery Silk, Notions, Etc.

MRS. W. M. SETTLE.

Assets: \$187,176.406.00. Income, 1896, \$39,139,558.00.

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Do you want an interest? If so, invest in an accumulation policy in the

New York Life Insurance Co.

Provides for your family in case of death, and a savings bank that will make you comfortable in your old age.

J. F. EVANS, Agent. Potosi, Mo.

City Machine and Repair Shops

WE are prepared to repair Engines, Boilers, Threshers, Saw Mills, and all other machinery, in wood or iron. Prices are Reasonable and Work guaranteed. Will save You money and Time on all work.

William Brandle, Proprietor.
Steel Be, Mo.
Patronize home industry, it will be to interest and your favors will be appreciated.

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Potosi, - - - Mo.

Prompt attention paid to buying and selling real estate, paying taxes, to making abstracts of title to real estate, and placing fire risks on houses and their contents in reliable Insurance Companies.

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MANUFACTURER AND DEALER IN
Saddles, Harness, Bridles, Collars, Whips,
Sewing Machine. Harness made to order.
Repairing neatly done.

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CELEBRATED
DIAMOND BLACK LEATHER OIL.
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